

Python File Write

Write to an Existing File

To write to an existing file, you must add a parameter to the `open()` function:

`"a"` - Append - will append to the end of the file

`"w"` - Write - will overwrite any existing content

Example

Open the file "demofile2.txt" and append content to the file:

```
f = open("demofile2.txt", "a")  
  
f.write("Now the file has more content!")  
  
f.close()
```

#open and read the file after the appending:

```
f = open("demofile2.txt", "r")  
  
print(f.read())
```

Example

Open the file "demofile3.txt" and overwrite the content:

```
f = open("demofile3.txt", "w")  
  
f.write("Woops! I have deleted the content!")
```

```
f.close()
```

```
#open and read the file after the appending:
```

```
f = open("demofile3.txt", "r")
```

```
print(f.read())
```

Note: the "w" method will overwrite the entire file.

Create a New File

To create a new file in Python, use the `open()` method, with one of the following parameters:

"x" - Create - will create a file, returns an error if the file exist

"a" - Append - will create a file if the specified file does not exist

"w" - Write - will create a file if the specified file does not exist

Example

Create a file called "myfile.txt":

```
f = open("myfile.txt", "x")
```

Result: a new empty file is created!

Example

Create a new file if it does not exist:

```
f = open("myfile.txt", "w")
```

